IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
	: Examiner: M. R. Tyson
TADASHI HAYASHI, ET AL.)
	: Group Art Unit: 3773
Application No.: 10/810,827)
	: Confirmation No.: 1010
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EXCISION APPARATUS	:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and in response to the final Office Action dated April 18, 2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: